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GBC Student Newspaper

Proposal Submitted for Radical Changes to Student Association

by: David Dimitrie

A student group at the Casa Loma Campus known as the S.R.C. has presented the Student Association of George Brown College with a radical proposal that would restructure the entire student government and cut spending on S.A. wages.

On November 28, at the Annual General Meeting, Richard Mclellan, who is the President of the S.R.C., presented a petition signed by 100 fellow students who supported Mr. Mclellan's proposal. The Proposal was received by S.A. President Babek Ardoush. He thanked Mr. Mclellan for his efforts.

The S.R.C. Proposal consists of 6 points. Since the thrust of it is to give students more say in their student government I will present the Proposal in full, exactly as it appears on the students' petition.

Proposal for the Restructuring of the George Brown Student Association:

We the members of the George Brown Student Association propose the following restructuring of the Student Association:

1. That the number of Student Leaders be reduced to 2 leaders per division. Each division is to elect their representatives. And that part of the representatives duties be to establish Student Representative Councils in their division.
2. That salaries of full-time staff members be limited to 15% or \$125,000, whichever the greatest, of the proposed revenues. Benefits are to be included in the calculations of salaries.
3. That financial decisions on matters greater than \$15,000.00 be brought back to the divisional members for a general vote.
4. That no more than 15% of revenues be spent on social events.
5. That the boards voting members consist of one representative per division and the general manager of the Student Association.
6. That the present Student Association be given until February

28th 1996 to present an amended version of this proposal to members. Failure to do so would result in the immediate implementation of this proposal.

I contacted Lou Tarsitano, Faculty Advisor for the S.R.C. in order to discuss the Proposal. Mr. Tarsitano made it clear that he did not favour separation of the S.R.C. from the Student Association. However he had several concerns regarding finances and accountability that he felt the S.A. must address. I also spoke with Mr. Mclellan in order to hear his side of this dispute. He explained the details of his proposal and expressed his frustrations in dealing with the Student Association.

In researching this story I continually was asking myself one question. What is the S.R.C. and why is it making such huge demands of the Student Association? Was the S.R.C. a club or even a chartered organization of the S.A.? After asking various people including Mr. Mclellan I found that the S.R.C. is neither a S.A. club or a chartered organization of the S.A. It is simply an independent student organization that claims to represent 2800 technical students at the Casa Loma campus. Their President is listed as Richard Mclellan. However Mr. Mclellan has failed to present any documentation to S.A. to prove that he has been formally elected President of the S.R.C. by its members in a formal election. In addition Mr. Mclellan has refused to provide the by-laws, constitution, or the organizational structure of the S.R.C. to the S.A. Mr. Mclellan has only provided one poorly handwritten memo to the S.A. regarding recognition of the S.R.C. by the Student Association. In this memo Mr. Mclellan stated "I find it very annoying that we should have to re-register as our existence is already known and recognized?" When I asked S.A. President Mr. Babek Ardoush about the S.R.C. he stated emphatically that the S.R.C. was not officially recognized by the S.A. as a club or a chartered organization. During a lengthy interview with Mr. Ardoush I discussed all

of the demands that the S.R.C. was making. Mr. Ardoush not only explained his views in detail he provided documentation that put this issue into a much clearer light. I was presented with the 1995/96 S.A. budget and the minutes to the Annual General Meeting on November 28, 1995. Mr. Ardoush also presented me with a fact sheet that I believe is available to any student which details the tremendous growth that the S.A. has experienced in the last 2 years. While it is true that the number of full-time staff has greatly increased, it is equally true that services to students have grown greatly in quality and quantity.

If you would like to investigate these services please look in your student handbook or ask for the fact sheet titled "We've come a long way" available in the S.A. office. One obvious example of this growth is that the number of clubs and chartered organizations has grown from 5 to 23 in the last two years. Mr. Ardoush also answered two of the demands that the Proposal made. He explained that he is working on a plan to cap S.A. wages. In addition he showed me that the amount spent on social events was only 9.3% of revenues, far below Mr. Mclellan's demand of 15%.

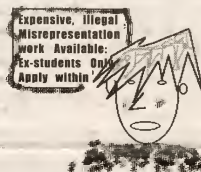
The Proposal from the S.R.C. needs to be re-worked, especially the time deadlines. According to Mr. Ardoush, the S.R.C. has "no legal right," to make such demands. Mr. Mclellan and the S.R.C. must take the necessary steps to help their organization a chartered organization of the S.A. In addition, their chances of influencing student government would greatly increase if they took a more cooperative stance. Considering the fact that the S.A. was only incorporated in 1994 as one entity representing all campuses it is obvious that many of the difficulties the S.R.C. has pointed out are simply growing pains. With the involvement of more students and time to address all of the issues it is faced with the S.A. will mature.

Merry Christmas Student Leaders

by Craig Goodwill

For the past few months the Student Association of George Brown College has been paying some of its members or ex-members, to tell the truth, illegally. According to the By-Laws of the George Brown College Student

being perpetrated by the student association, first employing a non student, and the employing of a student from a non fee paying program. The non student has not been enrolled at George Brown College for the past two months



Association (GBCSA) "All students who are enrolled as full time students at the college are eligible to become representatives or director.....the Board shall have the power to remove any director who fails to maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 during the term of his or her appointment as a director and to appoint a qualified student to replace that director." Although these are the exact words of the SA By-laws they are not being followed. There are two illegal acts

and is still a member of the executive Board for the SA. According to the by-laws you must be a full time student and have paid a student activity fee. Both have also been receiving an honourarium of not exceeding \$1,100 which has been paid out by you, the student. This misrepresentation is a violation of the By-Laws of the GBCSA and is a great example of how the GBCSA is run. "What they don't know won't hurt them," is a mentality within the GBCSA, this example just proves the point to all students.

Coming Events for January 1996

Date	Event	Location
Mon, January 8	Men without Hairs	Casa Loma
Tues, January 9	Men without Hairs	Hospitality
Wed, January 10	Blair Robertson	Nightingale
Mon, January 15	African Unity - Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday	St. James
Tues, January 16	Hispanic Club - Dancing	Casa Loma
Thurs, January 25	Philomene Hoffman and Accompanist	Nightingale
Tues, January 30	Pool Tournament	Casa Loma
	Hispanic Club - Dancing	

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The Politics of Diminished Expectations

by: Duncan MacDonnell



The best way to ensure that there's no substantial opposition to the government in power is for it to govern fairly and responsibly. By its very nature, the Harris government doesn't meet these criteria, representing instead the interests of a silent and privileged majority. The party in power acts fairly and responsibly exactly on behalf of those who voted for it—for the most part middle class, suburban, and white Ontarians (ie: the majority).

The government must, however, keep the people of this province from rioting in the streets (the first and second dictates of

"peace, order, and good government"). Since order won't be kept by fair and responsible governing—which is the fault of the voters of Ontario, not the fault of the present sham of a government—it must resort to "Plan B": take the wind out of the opposition's sails.

In November, the Students' Administrative Council at the University of Toronto organized a rally to protest Harris' proposed 20% cut to education. When I caught wind of the rally in October, I was told that organizers were expecting a turnout of over 10,000 people. When the rally took place, there were still some empty seats in Convocation Hall, a Hall with a capacity of just under 2000 people. Ouch.

After a number of rousing speeches—I got the feeling that Bob Rae dusted off a speech he shelved during this past summer's provincial election—the students marched to Queen's Park. "Please stay on the sidewalk," said the

organizers. The students stayed on the sidewalk. In fact, they basically walked in single file down College Street. They looked both ways before crossing Queen's Park Crescent.

At Queen's Park, all the local news casters were dutifully filming the students chanting rousing slogans like "FUCK YOU MIKE HARRIS!" for the 6:00 news, when one of the organizers said "Alright, rally's over. Go home."

They did.

Ernie Eaves announced Ontario's mini-budget a few weeks later. It turned out, buried amidst double-speak and terms like "per-mission to raise tuition to match cutbacks," that post-secondary education would only be cut by 10 to 15%. Only 10 to 15%.

Nobody would be able to convince me that the Eaves decided to reduce the cuts to post-secondary education as a result of the rally, just as nobody would be able to convince me that the "Unity rally" in Montreal convinced soft-

minded Quebecers to vote "non." It just doesn't work that way.

Ontario's Ministry of Finance, sensing a political backlash, "leaked" a report implying that the government was considering cuts of 20%. Within the week, student activists were treating this number as gospel, in some cases rounding said gospel up to 30%. By the time the mini-budget was announced, voters were either too frightened of the cuts to act, or too inundated by well-intentioned but shrill and tiresome activist dogma to care.

When the dust settled and we realized that the cuts were "only" 10 to 15%, we breathed a collective sigh of relief.

Anybody who cared about the well-being of this province and took action against the government was successfully played for a fool. Today, over 60% of Ontarians believe Harris is "on the right track", and his approval rating hovers just above 50%. The sun rises in the east, the same old power dynamic functions normally.

Listen: social activists aren't the only people being played for fools. You are too. And judging by Ontario's response to Harris' unfair and irresponsible direction of governing, nothing is being done to prove to me otherwise. Unless people who genuinely disagree with this government get off their asses and call their MPP, circulate a petition, help raise money for a food bank, take issue with those who believe the Harris cuts are bold and/or visionary in the staff room etc. pack my bags home because I'm taking my government-subsidized job skills to BC.

I hear the weather's nicer and the tuna's cheap.

Take a Walk with the SA

by Lori Foran



The Student Association of George Brown College has been trying since the first of the year to meet the needs of the students. We have held events such as Orientation and Alcohol Awareness Week. We have had pubs, tournaments and a host of other exciting initiatives. Haven't heard of these things? That's because we were missing one main ingredient—YOU!

The Temptations, that musical motown group, said it best—"Ain't no proud to be". Well, to be honest, neither am I. If that will get students out to events and interested in the college, then I'll beg, I'll plead. I've got no shame and I'm not afraid to admit it. We need you in order to make things work. All the initiative in the world won't make a community. And that's what we're trying to achieve.

So if you actually picked up this newspaper, you've made some headway. You're one step closer to becoming an active part of the SA. Take that next step and come into the office. Another step, attend an event. Giant step, volunteer. Take a walk with the Student Association and you won't walk alone.

SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS LACKING RESPECT

by: Joanna Miedzik
Child & Youth Worker Program

The elevator system at George Brown College for some has become a very serious issue. The special needs students have complained about others' lack of respect, especially when having to deal with getting on and off the elevators.

Many students with physical disabilities have had to deal with many problems such as, being rudely pushed and shoved and nearly fallen, cursed at, and late for their classes because of inconsiderate people that either ignore these students or couldn't care less whether they are there or not. These special needs students are being treated unfairly and that is why this message needs to be read and understood.

I myself am a student with special needs on a wheelchair and face these problems every day. When a person has to deal with the same rude treatment from others every day, one simply gets fed up. I cannot count just how many times I have been practically sat on by rude people

who force themselves onto an already full elevator. They seem to not care whether or not I will be hurt by a heavy knapsack facing me and practically hitting my head. Are you all blind?

Well, I'm not the only one that has something to say about this absolutely unacceptable action of these inconsiderate people roaming the hallways. Two students of George Brown College expressed their anger, worry and frustration.

Edward Urquelo, a graphic design student, expresses his concern on how he not only has to wait an incredibly long time for an elevator to come, but has to be careful not to get pushed when getting on.

Another graphic design student, Arthur Demerjian, expresses his feelings of concern by stating, "It's just not fair." Arthur feels that there are many people on elevators that don't need them, and this applies to persons going up just one floor. He also feels that there is too much pushing and shoving going on and therefore he is forced to wait until almost everyone is on or off until he feels safe enough to move without falling.

These students suffer great

consequences because of ignorant and careless people, such as being late for class, consequences of injuries, being late for specific pick up times for Wheeltrans

(a transportation company for disabled) and risking the possibility of missing their rides.

All of these problems deal with one issue, elevators and their amount of people forcing themselves to get in. Disabled students on crutches, canes, electric and manual wheelchairs have been treated poorly and unfairly by the George Brown population. As a college, let's try and turn this issue around for the better by: walking the stairs when going up/down one floor, when seeing a wheelchair on an elevator not crowding around it, holding the door and pressing the floor button for others that are unable to reach it and most of all, to remember that these are people too and they have feelings just like everybody else. Don't be rude, it will neither help them nor you.

We, the students with special needs, thank you for reading our message. We need your help.

Just a Thought

by Susan Deak, VP, Nightingale



We live in a world so full of oppressions that it is literally mind boggling. Every single individual is oppressed in one form or another. For some this oppression is to the extreme. These oppressing behaviours are so deeply rooted that the reality is that no matter what we do, they will continue to exist. I know that in my lifetime, I will probably never see any of these oppressions disappear. When you really think about it, even if the world blows up tomorrow, the survivors will still have some kind of prejudice or bias about one group of people or another. No one on the face of this Earth can honestly say that they are prejudice/bias free. It is the

failure to recognize this that prevents us from moving forward.

From generation to generation, these vicious cycles continue. Parents pass on their oppressive ideologies to their children and those children pass it on to their own children and so on. The cycles need to be broken. We need to educate ourselves and the next generations. We need to be aware of, and sensitive to all of the oppressions around us. If you are in a circle of people and you are witness to an oppressive comment, whether it is racist, sexist, or whatever, we must take the initiative to call the individual on the comment. We CANNOT leave that responsibility on the oppressed individual. If we do, then we can never move forward.

IF WE NEVER MOVE FORWARD, WHAT KIND OF WORLD WILL WE HAVE? I know, I sure as HELL don't want it to continue along the same path that we're following now. DO YOU!? Well, it's just a thought.

NEED TO KNOW

STUDENT CENTRE DELAYED

For a few more months

by Sal Andreacchi

To new students coming in this month and to all others that haven't heard, we are going to be having a new Student Centre in the very near future. There has been some delay with this project, but we're optimistic that it will be in operation this coming March.

In our September issue of the Dialog, it was said that the Student Centre was close to being completed by late November '95. Well through several design changes and many other decisions that had to be made the project did not make its scheduled completion, but I

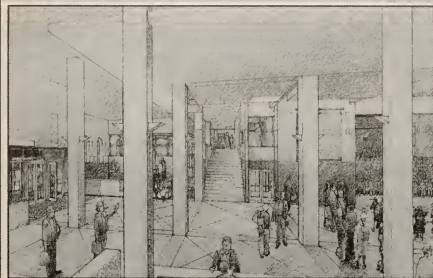
that was promised to them does not exist at this time.

After figuring this out, they decided they were going to move into the school's bookstore, which would leave the bookstore without a place to call home. They thought of moving the bookstore across the street from the school where they found an office space for lease in a building on King street. Leasing negotiations took some time but they figured this to be a bad plan. Finally they decided, the bookstore will share space with Registration office. The bookstore will occupy half of the office and all of the Student Affairs area in the back, while Student Affairs was already moving to the new

In the surrounding area there will be a larger Sac Shack with a copy service, the radio station which will be named "The Howl" and several food service tenants such as Mr. Submarine and Seven Star; a family run business. The arcade and the big screen will be moved into this area, along with the neighbouring boardroom and a student club room.

With the other part of the major renovation, there will be a new main entrance that will still be located on King Street, but closer to George Street where it is blocked off now. This will open up to a new and larger main lobby. Through this lobby you can get to the old lobby by making a right, go straight and you'll find yourself on your way to the Student Centre and by making a left you will reach the Student Services area. This area will be like a one-stop shop, bringing all the student services together. It will include Athletics, Student Life, counselling services, Career Services, the Housing Registry, the Alumni Office, Special Needs and the Director's Office, but will not include Financial Services. They will stay on the 2nd floor.

Just in case you missed it, here are some facts and figures concerning the project. The architect is A.J. Diamond, of Donald Schmitt and Company, the construction company is VanBots, the total area of the whole renovation is 35,500 square feet, total cost was \$2.5 million and as said before, the Student Association put in equal contribution to the Student Centre, along with funding from the Joint Federal/Provincial Infrastructure. Oh and if you weren't aware of this, here's a note, \$15.00 of all student registration fees goes to the funding of the new Student Centre, so I hope you enjoy it.



ask you, what major project does.

Along with our new centre, there will be other renovations made including, a new 4-door entrance, a large main lobby and a Student Services quarter. The auditorium was part of this major renovation, but the structural steel that was needed for this area did not come in on time and facing a tight budget it was left to a later date. A major part of the delay was attributed to work not done on the Auditorium. Its renovation would have opened up space for the Student Association, which are in fact equally funding this project. The area in question was going to house the Student Association offices, but this area

renovated wing in the Student Services quarter. Our Registration office will of course be smaller, but at least we still have a bookstore in the school. I hope you're not confused, but this was the main contribution to the delay.

Going back to the centre, it will be located on the first floor and situated at the north-west corner of the building where Adelaide & George Street meet. It will be occupied by our new pub which will be named the "Binder Grinder", it will have a new furnished bar, a large dance floor, pool tables and a student lounge where smoking will be allowed. For all non-smokers out there, an expensive ventilation system will be in place to clear up the smoke.

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Interested? The International Centre would like to hear from you. Call 415-2115 or fax 415-2120.

The Hunter

By: Alan Caldwell

Trying find an apartment has to be one of the most intimidating things known to mankind. I have been searching for an apartment since September and let me tell you there is a lot of creative wording in the English language. For instance if an ad reads "...self contained bachelor ideal for privacy..." It really means too small for the roaches, and if you find room to change your mind you are luckier than most. Or how about the description of a building on Dundas St. "Quiet, recently renovated trendy location, good people, easy access..." I found out it means the landlord and lady bought the building in 1945 when WW2 ended they paid \$25 dollars for new paint in the hallway, and the location, one word, "PARKDALE", where are the good people? Easy access means it is at the intersection of four one way streets that all leave the front door leading away, and the only way to get in is through a bicycle path that gets moved once in the spring with branches that are strategically aimed at your eyes by NASA. There are also a lot of people that screen their calls, and if you haven't noticed, they usually

seem to be people originally from other countries. You get an answering machine and if you don't sound like an older (read in 45+) they don't call back. So what I have started to do is to call and when the answering machine picks up start leaving my name and number etc. through a doubled up bandanna, in a wheezing voice shouting like I am going deaf, and start on a story about how my brother's girl friend is kicking him out of an apartment that we have shared since he was 23. That is all true to be, it is 23, now. 'Ya' know what? I have received so many call backs from people I never called I have to leave the phone off the hook just to get some sleep. Possibly the worst thing that does happen, is when you call up and ask about an apartment for X amount of dollars and they tell you the price has gone up by \$50 dollars and then try to tell you it was a misprint, or "it's rented and we do have a smaller one for the same price". Oh then this has got to be the best, you're looking at an apartment and trying to haggle the price down, and he shows you a real dump and says "...I'll give it to you for \$250, the city guy said when the last guy moved out I wasn't supposed to rent it any more, just don't tell anyone." YEAH - right!! To all the people who have found a place to live, congratulations, and do you need a roommate? To my brother I say - Thank You.

La La La Then and Now

by: Jon Gardiner.

La La La Human Steps.
O'keefe Centre.
Thurs. Nov. 30.

A large stage, all in black, the dancers in black as well. White spotlights illuminate parts of the stage. A dark brooding theme; the duality between youth and aging. A multimedia production. Dance companies have been using multimedia since long before the computer industry got hold of the term. This production, entitled "2", is the latest from the Montreal-based modern dance company known as La La La Human Steps.

In the past La La La has delivered a highly energetic, gravity-defying, ultra-aggressive dance style. Human Steps' principal dancer, Louise Lecavalier, in particular has earned this company its reputation with her willingness and ability to throw herself into mid-air, like a human cannonball into the arms of other dancers. This production was much tamer by comparison. This is unfortunate, because this has become their signature, their drawing card, and what I am sure many people were there

that night to see. While what are left with is a toned-down version of this company's work it was still aggressive by many other companies' standards. Louise is still high-energy, she just doesn't leave the ground much anymore. Is this a result of Ms. Lecavalier's age? La La La's choreographer/founder Edouard Lock has denied this in interviews. He maintains that it is all part of a more meditative outlook he has acquired from regular visits to his sick father in a hospital full of the aged. And indeed, this piece was full of images having to do with the dualities of youth and age.

One example of the multimedia aspect of this show was a film created by Edouard Lock. This film was shown on two screens, one showing a young and the other showing an older woman, both performing everyday tasks. They seemed to be aware of one another's past and future presence. Both characters were convincingly portrayed by Louise Lecavalier. To portray off this multimedia experience there was music performed live combined with taped music. This too, has been toned down from what in past performances has

been primarily music from the rock genre. In this show, baroque music was played live on two harpsichords in full view of the audience. Another example of the company's recent classical leanings is the addition of dancer Liza Kovaks. Liza was trained in ballet, and was a dancer in the National Ballet of

So La La La Human Steps is a dance company that has undergone a transition. They have softened their stance. For much of their 15 years they have been at the crest of the dance world. It seems they are stepping back to take a breath. After all, with all they have done in the past, what more



Canada for four years. Her ballet training comes out in her dancing as she can perform movements that a strictly modern dancer cannot (see accompanying photo). I get the impression that Ms. Kovaks is being groomed for a front-and-center role in this company.

can be said. I think there are other companies leading the dance world in ideas now (Jan Fabre comes to mind). La La La are still a very fine, highly skilled, high art dance company, just don't go to see them expecting to experience what they once were.

"QUICK TIPS" sessions new at George Brown



by Franky Chernin
Student Success Coordinator

Welcome Back! Well here it is - a brand new opportunity to ensure that your time at CBC is both productive and fun. The first thing you need to do is evaluate last semester. Are your grades what you want them to be? Are your time management and stress management skills adequate for your needs? Is college life meeting your expectations? Are you having any fun? If the answer to any of these questions is no, it's time to do something different. It's okay to make mistakes but when we make the same ones over and over again - they are no longer mistakes - it's just plain stupid. Decide what it is you want to change and come up with a plan. If it's your grades - set a goal to speak with

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all of your teachers outside of class. Find out what you need to do to change your past performance. Do you need help from the Resource Centre, a Peer Tutor, an organized study group? Is your problem getting to classes and keeping assignments on track - evaluate your time management skills, ask fellow students how they organize their work, ask for strategies to try out. The bottom line is, if you don't change something - nothing will change.

Watch the bulletin boards for the **QUICK TIP Sessions**, starting January 22nd. We will be offering 45 minute sessions on everything from Study Skills, Preparing Papers and Reports, Learning Styles, to time Management and Complaining Effectively. You can sign up for as

many of the sessions as you think will help, however there is a small charge of a looney for each session.

There is also a way to become involved in college life and help students, maybe even yourself, who face unforeseen financial disasters. The **Student Emergency Fund Raffle** which provides funds for students, is once again getting under way. We will begin selling tickets in mid-January. The first prize is a year's tuition and \$500 for books OR \$1,000 Cash, so the tickets are an easy sell at \$2. We need your help to sell tickets and promote the Draw Event on February 14. If you are interested in selling even 1 book of tickets, contact Cynthia Hilliard through the SA Office. If you are a student and staff, Franky Chernin, Student Affairs, X 2674.

International Student Network: JOIN THE CLUB!

Hi! The International Student Network (ISN) is a club that was started a couple of years ago but has not been really active until recently. The purpose of this club is to bring together international students and students with an interest in international relations and culture. We are here to support each other and to share our experiences and cultures. In simpler terms, to meet new people and

have fun.

We have already arranged our first event which was a movie night with the country of Sweden as a theme. It took place at Casa Loma campus on December 6 and we served our guests samples of Swedish foods and showed a Swedish movie called "Anglagard", or "House of Angels".

We were also happy to give out a door prize that was donated to us

by SWEA, a food basket with filled with Swedish specialties.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who helped us make this evening a success and all people who came to share this event with us.

For you who are interested in the ISN and what we do, please call us on our voice mail number (416) 415-2900 voice mail 6933.

The ISN will meet again after Christmas break on January 16, 1996, at the Hospitality Centre (300 Adelaide St. East), Room 3331 between 4 and 6 p.m.

Welcome!

Mia Eriksson

President, International Student Network.



Junior Escoffier Society Update

by James Csoko and Laura Hastings

December has seen a lot of changes for The Junior Escoffier. We have added new executives who will reduce the strain on all of us and give us time to concentrate on providing more services to our members. James Csoko will be the Newsletter Editor, Laura Hastings, Membership Secretary, Donna Campbell, Public Relations Officer, and Kirk Douglas, Programming Director.

One of our activities this month was the Christmas party. After taking our yearbook photo, we assembled at Dennison's Brewing Co. We had a wonderful meal and discussed returning for a tour of the brewing facilities. After dinner some of us were entertained at the Laugh Resort's Amateur Night.

We volunteered for many events this month, including the Epilepsy Art Auction on Friday, November 24, 1995. Chef Brian MacAskill and nine members donated their time and put out a marvelous spread of fruits, cheeses, hot and cold hors d'oeuvre. The annual staff Christmas party was held on Saturday,



December 2, 1995. Chefs Gibson and Maurer directed twelve volunteers in the A La Carte Kitchen. The menu consisted of Double Consomme, Mussels, Lobster Cocktail, Wild Green Salad, Prime Rib, and Christmas pudding. At the end of the evening, volunteers were invited to the dining room to receive thanks from Dean Cooper and a standing ovation from the assembled staff.

The first evening of the Rising Stars Culinary Showcase took place on November 22, 1995 at The Blue Begonia restaurant. Society President, Gurth Prety, presented "Wild Wine and Tame Game". Congratulations to Gurth and his team!

Congratulations are also in order for our members! We have set a new record for membership, with over 150 new members we are still growing strong. As our membership increases, so does our opportunity to organize events, practice and hone skills, volunteer at worthwhile events, make contacts and make good impressions on people in the industry.

Restaurant Review

Dennison's Brewing Company ****

75 Victoria Street

Less than a 10 minute walk from the steps of the St. James Campus, is a wonderful brew pub with three different restaurants. Dennison's brews four different lagers, following the Bavarian tradition of using only the purest ingredients. Royal Dunkell, Growler's year round lager, offers an interesting lager that changes every three or four months.

Conchy Joe's Oyster Bar has a fantastic all-you-can-eat muscle night on Tuesday night for only \$6.95. They also offer a wide variety of seafood in a relaxed atmosphere with couches and armchairs.

Crazy Louie's Brasserie, on the main floor, offers bistro-style food and excellent desserts. The devil's chocolate ice cream was called "orgasmic" by one of my friends and the peanut butter pie and fudge brown cake were also devoured quickly.

Growler's, the downstairs pub, is dark and comfortable and a great place to meet friends. They have good deals on food during "happy hour", the blackened chicken with avocado pizza is an excellent meal for \$5.99.

Overall, Dennison's is a great getaway from the stress and tension of school life.

Hospitality Club News

by Cathie Sullivan,
Vice-President

On Sunday, December 3, 1995, many Hospitality Club members participated in the CFSEA Christmas party at The Famous People Players Theater. The party included a lunch for over 120 people in the Toronto Area. Members were involved with stuffing Santa Sacks, making Christmas wreaths and singing Christmas carols. After lunch everyone enjoyed a terrific show by the Famous People Players Theater group. The Hospitality Club and the CFSEA Christmas committee would like to thank all the members for their time and efforts.

We would like to remind members to look for applications for CFSEA scholarships in the near future. The awards are only available to Hospitality Club members, if you have not joined yet, there is still time.

Top Management Night, an annual CFSEA dinner will be held at the Westin Harbor Castle on January 22, 1996. For more in-

formation, drop by Room 254 before January 19, 1996. The results of the award presentation at the dinner will be available by the end of the month. To find out Who's Who in the industry, call 415-2244.

Any students interested in becoming Hospitality Club executives should drop by the office for information on positions, responsibilities, and opportunities. Elections will be held in March and as membership is a prerequisite, you will want to join as soon as possible. Watch for updates on the elections and other events on the sign boards and bulletin boards throughout the campus.

In the upcoming year, we will be arranging for many guest speakers to talk about the industry as it changes. Some speakers include representatives from: hospitals, the CFSEA, casino industry, and cruise lines. In February we will also be holding a silent auction to raise funds for the We Care Scholarship.

We hope you all had a great holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Recipes

January is the perfect time to stay at home, rent a movie, or have friends over. Here is a recipe that will make a great snack.

Thai Popcorn

10 cups of unseasoned, fresh made popcorn
2 tsp. corn oil
1/2 oz curry paste
2 tsp. garlic, minced
1 tsp. fresh ginger, minced
1 tsp. sugar

Heat all ingredients, except popcorn, in a pan. Saute for two minutes over medium heat. Stir to break up the paste. Remove from heat and blend with 1/3 cup butter. Add salt to taste. Stir until butter is melted and toss with popcorn.

Warm up with..

Chicken and Corn Soup

1 chicken, 3 1/2 lbs
3 L water
1 onion, diced
2 celery stalks, chopped
2-3 tsp. chicken stock, powdered
2 1/2 cups corn kernels
1 can creamed corn
1 can cream of celery soup

In a large pot, cover chicken, onion, celery and stock with water. Simmer until chicken is tender, about 2 hours. Remove chicken, strain and save broth. Slice chicken and discard bones and skin. Add chicken, corn, and celery soup to broth. Bring to a boil and serve. This soup can be frozen and eaten throughout the winter.

TIRAMISU

Makes 8 to 10 servings

It has been documented that tiramisu[®] originated from Venice, Italy. The name means "pick-me-up." Without a doubt one of the most popular Italian desserts in North America. Every Italian restaurant seems to have its own version of this luscious Specialty. Tiramisu traditionally combines the classic flavours of coffee and anise with chocolate. Here nuts and or berries are a luscious addition.

- 1 quart espresso or very strong coffee
- 1/2 cup of heavy cream cream
- 1/4 cup Sambuca
- 2 packages Italian ladyfingers
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 pint raspberries
- 1 tablespoon coffee extract
- 1/2 cup hazelnuts, toasted and chopped fine
- 4 egg yolks
- 8 ounces semisweet chocolate
- 1/2 cup sugar grated
- 2 1/2 cups mascaroone

In a saucepan combine the coffee, Sambuca, sugar, and coffee extract, and heat over a low flame until the sugar dissolves.

Using a wire whisk or an electric mixer, beat together the egg yolks and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the mascarpone. With the whisk or electric mixer, whip the heavy cream in a small bowl. Using a rubber spatula, gently fold the whipped cream into the mascarpone mixture. Quickly dip the ladyfingers in the coffee mixture just until they absorb the liquid but before they become soft and fall apart.

In a glass baking dish or bowl, layer the ingredients as follows: Start with the cream mixture, then make a layer of ladyfingers, then a layer of cream, then a layer of raspberries, nuts, and cream. Repeat the layering process, ending with the cream mixture. Sprinkle the grated chocolate over the top and let set in the refrigerator for at least 2 hours or overnight. To serve, cut into small

Source: La Place, viana & Kleiman, Evan, Cucina Rustica; Simple, Irresistible Recipes in Rustic Italian Style, New York: William Morrow and Company, Inc., 1990

You are in luck! There will be a demonstration on the making of tiramisu on Tuesday January 16, 1996 in the Atrium at the School of Hospitality from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Pastry Chef Laurie Pila and Pastry Chef Elena Severs from Joe Di Maggio's Wet Paint Cafe at 1403 Yonge Street (975-5380) will be preparing their tiramisu for you to sample. Come and be "picked up" by a great Italian dessert!

A Different Point of View

by Denise Coward

Cooking is not only an art, it's a science. There has been much experimentation and discussion about food and some of the results have been very interesting. In his book, "The Curious Cook," Harold McGee conducts experiments to test some of the widely accepted kitchen lore we learn each day. Here are some of his findings:

- * Searing meat does not seal in juices. The juiciness of the meat depends on the doneness of the meat.
- * The tenderest varieties of lettuce will look better if handled gently, as long as the knife is sharp it doesn't matter if you tear or cut the leaves.
- * Both vinegar and oil harm the appearance of lettuce. It seeps through the cuticle and

spreads into the body of the leaf.

- * The only protective wrap that will keep guacamole from discoloring is saran wrap.
- * To keep pasta from discoloring when you add dark toppings, such as, pesto, add lemon juice to the pasta when boiling.
- * When making sorbets, add lemon juice to stop it from crystallizing.
- * Hot water can freeze faster than cold water

Mr. McGee has a B.Sc and a Ph.D in English. His conclusions are based on experiments conducted with painstaking detail in his kitchen. If you would like to learn more about his methods and ideas, pick up a copy of his book, you'll be tempted to see for yourself.



Volunteers at the Royal Winter Fair watch as Chefs prepare their courses.

HELP!

If you would like to contribute to the Hospitality section of the Dialog, please leave your articles in the blue box outside of room 254 in the Hospitality centre or contact Denise through the SA representative at #2244. I look forward to hearing from you.

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SPORTS UPDATE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The men's team got off to an exciting start in November. We opened up with a very close, thrilling and hard fought game against Memorial University. Due to severe foul trouble, the Huskies finished the game with only four players and losing a game by only a few points 84-81.

We continued with our aggressive play the following week, defeating Mohawk 94-56. Leading the way was Emil Mulic with 25 pts. & Oral Anthony with 17 pts. We went on to defeat Lambton 91-74, with Nick Thomas netting 25 pts. followed by Emil Mulic 19 pts. & Andrew Wilson adding 15 pts.

Our next contest was an exhibition game against Daemen College from Amherst, New York. This was a very hard fought and exciting battle which kept the fans on the edge of their seats. The outcome went down to the wire with Daemen winning 96-91. Nick Thomas had a game high 26 pts. &

Emil Mulic added 23 pts. with clutch free throw shooting down the stretch making 10 out of a possible 12 shots.

Our most thrilling and controversial game of the semester was against Niagara College. After being down by 20 pts. in the half, we rallied back and tied the game at 77. With only seconds remaining in the game Niagara was awarded and made a free throw taking a 78 to 77 lead. Our inbound play was broken-up giving them the win. High scorers were Nick Thomas 21 pts., Mulic 17 pts. and J.D. Ellis had 14 pts.

We then faced the #2 nationally ranked Sheridan College. Again the guys were "up" for this important test. Sheridan took a 12 pt. first half lead, but with great fan support and aggressive play we outscored our opponent in the 2nd half. Emil Mulic led all scorers with 30 pts while Nick Thomas added 19 pts.

Our final game of the 1st semester matched us against Fanshawe. After a slow start in the 1st half we out-played Fanshawe in 2nd half, but it wasn't

enough to receive the win. We lost 87-73. Thomas lead the scoring with 22 pts. Emil Mulic added 19.

Our record at the end of the 1st semester in League play is 2 wins 4 losses. Top performers for the month are starters Emil Mulic, and Nick Thomas, both are the team's leading rebounds and scorers with an average of 21 pts. in league play.

Stafford Kerr and Oral Anthony both contributed great leadership & excellent defensive play, while J.D. Ellis offered accurate 3 pt. shooting, passing and solid rebounding. Our bench also gave excellent support when called upon.

The Huskies go right at it in the New Year taking on Nazareth College in an exhibition game on Jan. 2nd. We then host our Invitational Tourney on Jan. 5th & 6th which will showcase some of the top teams in Ontario.

We are very optimistic & excited about the 2nd half of the season, with improved and aggressive defense our goals are set on making the playoffs. (by: Ron Hepburn Asst.Coach)

STAFF VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

"Next!" That's what the Basement Bombers were saying as they ripped through the competition on their way to their third consecutive victory in the Staff Volleyball tournament at Casa Loma Campus last Thursday afternoon, November 30. Eight teams showed up ready to go, claim victory and have a good time. There was no fear of the unknown as team after team clawed (well, maybe "crawled") in the case of a few old-timers) their way to the Cup. A few teams wondered aloud about the Basement Bombers.

There is a rumor that there is a volleyball court hidden away where the Sheet Metal and masonry classes used to be held. We all wondered when Brian Emery and Jennifer Bolt of the winning Bombers said, "O.K. guys, no practice this Sunday morning." Filling out the Bombers potent lineup with: L. Tarisitano, R. Grayston, D. Carron, D. Todd, F. Debour and the captain Rui Sousa. All the teams had kind words for acting president Frank Sorochinsky as they ate their pizza, drank the refreshments and rested their sore backs. Some guys suggested phoning the President to express how grateful they were for generosity in these changing and challenging times. The enthusiasm of all the participants and the generosity of all the players is what what George Brown College is all about. There is talk now of a spring challenge for all staff at the college but this, many people said, should be done only after video cameras are installed in the basement in order to discover the secret to the Basement Bombers success. Once again to all, and I mean all: Thank you for your cooperation. "Bring

on the next challenge," says staff, "are ready!"

The following are some of the noteworthy results:
Basement Bombers 15, Student Affairs 10
Semi: Back in Black 15, Applied Studies 4
Finals: Basement Bombers 15, Back in Black 8

ALUMNI(AE) HAPPENINGS

Homecoming Weekend
Plans are well underway for the 30th Anniversary Home-coming Weekend celebrations scheduled for October of 1997.

Included in the festivities will be:

- Welcome Back wine and cheese party
- Day long games and activities
- Nostalgia/hospitality suite
- Banquet dinner and dance

Anyone wishing to be a part of the organizing team, please contact Alex Barbier at 415-2099. Stay tuned for the unveiling of the 30th Anniversary Logo!

INTRAMURAL REGISTRATION

INDOOR SOCCER BLIND VOLLEYBALL

Registration: Tues., Jan. 2- Fri., Jan. 12/96

League Play: Mon., Jan. 8 - Fri., Feb. 16/96

Time: 10am-4pm (Mon. to Fri.)

Championship: Week of Feb 19/96

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Well, it's been quite a roller-coaster ride for the George Brown women's basketball team in 1995. Several ups and downs have left the Huskies with a tough 1 and 4 record, but the team has shown brief surges of competitiveness along the way. Ironically, the brightest sign was in a loss to Humber. Humber, the #1 team in Ontario, and #8 in Canada, was in for a scare on December 11 against our Huskies. Behind 21 pts. from Athlete of the Month Charmaine Warwick and 16 from Shantel Taylor, the Huskies stayed close throughout the game, before Humber pulled away to a final score of 85-70. Coach McClellan was a little concerned with the inconsistencies of some of her

players, on the court and at practice in the first half of the year, but she is confident about the second half. This is due primarily to the commitment shown by a core of seven players, with a promised addition of three "very strong" players in January. The new additions are already familiar with the team, and vice versa, so chemistry will not be a problem. Back on the court, the other top performances of the month were turned in by Tricia Warwick with 18 in a loss to Durham and Warwick again in a loss to Seneca. So if you're looking for some exciting basketball, you need look no further than the St. James gym when the New Year rolls around.

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VARSITY & STUDENT LEADERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Athletic Christmas Party was held on Wednesday, December 13th in the SA Lounge at Casa Loma. The turn out was great, approximately 150 students, with all the teams represented. Free pizza and drinks and the friendly atmosphere contributed to the party being a huge success. Special thanks to the student leaders and all the organizers for their great work. Best of luck to the teams in the New Year and Happy Holidays to everyone!



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